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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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RELATING TO MAKING IT EASIER TO DO BUSINESS IN RHODE ISLAND PART 4:
LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS

Introduced By: Senators Lynch, Ruggerio, and Miller

Date Introduced: May 04, 2010

Referred To: Senate Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 28-45-2 of the General Laws in Chapter 28-45 entitled
2 "Apprenticeship Programs in Trade and Industry" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **28-45-2. Apprenticeship council.** -- (a) The director of labor and training, with the
4 advice and consent of the governor, shall appoint a state apprenticeship council composed of four
5 (4) representatives each from employer and employee organizations respectively. One of the
6 employer representatives shall represent a business employing less than fifty (50) employees. The
7 council shall, by majority vote, elect from its membership a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, and a
8 secretary. The vice-chairperson shall act in the absence or inability of the chairperson.

9 (b) Upon the expiration of the terms of the council's present membership, the director of
10 labor and training, with the advice and consent of the governor, shall appoint members to the
11 apprenticeship council for initial terms, and those members shall hold office until their successors
12 are appointed and have qualified, as follows:

13 (1) One representative each from employer and employee organizations respectively, for
14 an initial term of one year;

15 (2) One representative each from employer and employee organizations respectively, for
16 an initial term of two (2) years;

17 (3) One representative each from employer and employee organizations respectively, for
18 an initial term of three (3) years; and

1 (4) One representative each from employer and employee organizations respectively, for
2 an initial term of four (4) years.

3 (c) Upon the expiration of those initial terms, members shall be appointed for terms of
4 four (4) years, and shall hold office until their successors are appointed and have qualified. Any
5 vacancy shall be filled by appointments by the director of labor and training, with the advice and
6 consent of the governor, for the unexpired portion of the term. The commissioner of elementary
7 and secondary education, the director of labor and training shall be members of the council, ex-
8 officio, without vote.

9 (d) The council may, by majority vote, designate any consultants that it may deem
10 necessary and desirable to assist it in the performance of its duties.

11 (e) Members of the board shall not be compensated for their service on the board.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would require the director of labor and training to appoint a small business
- 2 owner to the apprentice council.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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